

CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place," Acts 2:1.
"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance," Acts 2:4.

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The Financial System Explained Extracts from Address at Assembly

By F. J. Lee.

The subject we have under consideration today is the subject of finance, as you may see on the program. I deem it a subject of vast importance, especially to know how to regulate the finance of the church. This subject has been discussed before in the Assembly, but yet we haven't come to satisfactory arrangements, or plans. We know there is only one right way, and that is what we are after; if anyone has a better way, or a nearer Bible way than I shall present, I will readily surrender my views.

Now, for a foundation for the discourse that I will undertake, I direct your attention to Exodus 19:5: "Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people, for all the earth is mine." We notice first the word "therefore," referring to the preceding verse, how they were in bondage once in Egypt, but now He had taken them out of bondage and destroyed the Egyptians, and borne Israel on eagle's wings to Himself. We, too, were in Egyptian darkness at one time, but He came and in answer to some "Moses' soul travail," upon the side of the mountain, delivered us to the other side of the first great waters we had to encounter; there is where we rejoiced and praised God for that great deliverance, but notice the text, "I brought you unto myself." We, like Israel, lingered in the wilderness, but finally He brought us up to Kadesh - Barnea, (holiness). While many thousands are falling in a wilderness experience and fail to get through, yet God is selecting a special "generation" that is going through, and He is bringing them to Himself as on eagle's wings. He has fitly taken an eagle to represent the great Church of God. I have one drawn here that we might better illustrate what we are trying to teach. He said at Deut. 28:49. "The Lord shall bring a nation against you from far, * * as

swift as an eagle flieth; * * whose tongue thou shalt not understand." Also at Isa. 28:11. He said, "He would speak unto this people with stammering lips and other tongues for the awakening of backslidden Israel. Paul referred to the same instance when he said, "Yet for all that they will not hear me saith the Lord." While this nation of other tongues is coming down upon backslidden Christianity, there never has anything moved so rapidly, east, west, north and south; no wonder the Lord said, "as swift as an eagle flieth." I notice again at Psa. 103:5, "Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things: so that thy youth is renewed like the eagles," and at Isa. 40:31. "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles." Many have testified that their strength had been renewed, they felt young again, after having received the Holy Ghost. One of the emblems on the banners of Israel that stood for order, was an eagle. One of the living creatures that John saw around the throne was an eagle. Rev. 5:9 tells us those living creatures were people redeemed from every nation. Again at Rev. 12. The woman persecuted by the dragon received the wings of a great eagle that she might fly to the wilderness and there receive nourishment. Again Jesus said, "Whosoever the carcass is, there will the eagles be gathered together." Let us look up with encouragement and sweet anticipations; while Jesus said this gospel must be preached to all the world for a witness, let us thank God it is going with the rapidity of an eagle flying, and it can't be long until the carcass, ("Jesus, as a lamb slain from before the foundation of the world?") will come in mid air, there the eagles from every quarter of the globe will meet and feast upon His love. Paul asked the question, "Do you not know that the saints shall judge the world?" So we find at Rev. 8:14, while the saints are in

mid air, an angel sounded and an eagle went flying through the air crying, woe, woe, woe, to the inhabitants of the earth because of the voice of the other angels that were to sound. (original eagle) Thus, we have shown that this great Church of God, is represented by an eagle, taken from Egypt and landed around the throne in heaven. Now view the chart again, see the eagle looks as though in the act of alighting. While Israel was going rapidly to Canaan's land where she could feast on "milk and honey," God's plan was for her to alight at Mt. Sinai, that she might receive the tabernacle and the law, and full instructions for travel and battle against the enemy. View the chart again and see what order, what system, they were under. Judah the royal tribe on the east, Dan on the north, Ruben on the south, Ephraim on the west, then two tribes set down by each of these leading tribes, thus surrounding the tabernacle, but yet there was an inner circle as you will notice by the chart. At first the priests were taken from the first born, but from the institution of the tabernacle God said; "He would take of the sons of Levi, and count them for the first born." Levi had three sons, Gershon, which with his families were placed on the west of the tabernacle. Merari, and his families on the north, Kohath with his families placed on the south, with the priests placed on the east, thus were the location of the tribes of Israel, the Levites and priests. When God can get His people to come to order and system, he is getting them to "Himself" as the text implies. To the text again, "If you will obey and keep my covenant ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me." "Obey Him, keep His Word," I don't want to fail I want to be accounted among His peculiar treasure. "Peculiar," let us look at that a moment. Paul said, "Jesus gave Himself that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a pe-

culiar people, zealous of good works."

While He has shed His blood that we might be the peculiar people yet it is on condition that we obey Him and keep His covenant. Peter says. But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people, * * to show forth His praises. (Great excellencies.)

One might say this has reference to Israel alone, but notice Peter addresses the, "Elect * * through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ." Now many are showing forth His excellencies today in many ways, but let us not fail in anything. See 2 Cor. 8:7. Hear Paul saying, "Therefore as ye abound in everything, in faith and utterance, and knowledge, and in all diligence, and in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also." Paul had made mention in his first letter that they were not behind in any gift. We see them talking in tongues, interpreting, healing the sick; well every gift carried on in its place, with much joy, while that was all true, he said, "see that ye abound in this grace also." What grace was he having reference to? See verse 1. Moreover brethren, we do you to wit of the grace of God bestowed on the churches of Macedonia. How that in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded unto the riches of their liberality. We might better grasp this by reading the Syriac translation, here it is, "In the great trial of their affliction, there was an abounding to their joy, and the depth of their poverty was exuberant in the riches of their liberality." So we see their joy was in proportion to their liberality, so it is with us, if we are short on this line, we will come short of many blessings that we ought to be getting. One may say, "I'm not able to give," Paul says, at Ch. 9:8, "God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work." Again he said, "He that soweth sparingly, will also reap sparingly, and he that soweth

bountifully will also reap bountifully." It is like a man sowing a few seeds on a ten acre field, at harvest he gathers only a very little, only a few stalks here and there, but if he sows plenty of seeds, he reaps a good harvest. The apostle has compared this to giving, if we give bountifully we will reap both temporal and spiritual blessings.

The text says, If ye will obey * * we shall be a peculiar treasure. Will we obey? And at 1 Cor. 8:11. Paul, still on the line of giving says, "Now therefore perform the doing of it, * * for if there is a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath. For I mean not that other men be eased and ye burdened, * * but by an equality. Now we will notice again the text, referring to His "Peculiar treasure," At Mal. 3:17. And they shall be mine saith the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels, the margin says, "Special treasure." "In that day," has reference to the time that they should return, and discern between the righteous and wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth Him not. v 18. Israel had backslidden, they had said, "It is vain to serve God; and what profit that we have kept His ordinance?" v 14. In other words obeyed His voice or kept His covenant. So His instructions to get them back to obeying God and keeping covenant, was, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse." With a promise of a blessing that there wouldn't be room to receive it. v 10. They had quit paying tithes and offerings, God said, "you are robbing me." How were they robbing God? In our text He says, "All the earth is mine. Also He says, "If I were hungry I would not tell thee, for the world is mine and the fulness thereof." The beast of the forest and the cattle on a thousand hills are His. "The silver and the gold are mine saith Jehovah of hosts." So we see everything is the Lord's He has only leased to us for a stipulated amount and that is the tenth, so when we fail to pay the amount required we rob

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Help us circulate the Evangel. It is doing much good as far as it goes, but it does not reach out far enough yet. Remember we are pulling for the ten thousand mark. You can help us.

Pray while you work. There is a great need for the ministry of prayer. The work will not progress without prayer. Without prayer nothing can be accomplished. Pray! Pray! Some of you cannot "go" but you can pray for those who do go.

Since the list of names appeared in last week's paper showing the pledges for the Assembly building we have received some inquiry as to whether it is still open to receive more subscriptions or not. To this we will reply. The way is open, and any who wish to subscribe please write us and state the amount you wish to subscribe and we will add your name to the list.

Port Inglis, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I praise God for keeping us as He has on this lonely island. I praise Him for His blessings through our sickness and troubles we have been having for the last few weeks. Our blessed Savior has given grace us to bear it all for Jesus' sake.

I do earnestly ask for a special prayer for my dear husband, his eye sight is leav-

ing him and he has suffered so much for the last few days. He has rheumatism in his legs.

Pray that he may be well and our faith may be strengthened and we may hold to God's unchanging hand.

Your weak sister waiting for Jesus' strengthening power.

Lillie M. Crews.

Casting Lots.

A correspondent has requested a full explanation of casting lots. No doubt others will be interested to know more about this so we give space below.

The following appeared in the Evangel several months ago, but we give it space again for the benefit of the readers.

"Lots were often cast by the Jews as well as by other ancient nations, with the expectation, when God was appealed to, that he would so control them as to give a right direction in doubtful cases, Judg. 20:9; 1 Sam. 10:20, 21; 1 Chr. 26:14; Psa. 22:18; Prov. 16:33; 19:10. They were often used by divine appointment. The portions of the twelve tribes were thus assigned to them; and hence each tribe's portion was called 'the lot of its inheritance.' Num. 26:52, 56; Psa. 125:3, Acts 8:21. The scape-goat was to be selected and the order of the priests' service determined by lot. Lev. 16:8; 1 Chr. 24:5; 25:8. By the same means Achan, Jonathan, and Jonah were discovered, Josh. 7:14; 1 Sam. 14:41, 42; Jon. 1:7. By lot Christ's garment's were divided, Matt. 27:35, and Matthias was designated by lot to be an apostle in place of Judas, Acts 1:26. A common mode of casting lots was by the use of pebbles, one or more of them being marked and all being shaken together in some fold of a garment, an urn, or a helmet, before drawing, Prov. 16:33; John 19:24. As the use of lots by one who believes in the particular providence of God involves a solemn appeal to the Disposer of all events; they should never be used on trivial occasions; and in this day a case can rarely occur when such an appeal would be warranted."

—Bible Dictionary.

EXHORTATION.

To the Saints and Church of God in Tennessee:

Greeting.

We have now started in with a new year. I feel encouraged to ask the saints to press harder this year than ever before. Most all of the

LET US EXAMINE OURSELVES

Mrs. W. B. Bell.

Are we measuring up to the Word of God? Are we wholly sanctified? Do we walk like the Word of God says to walk? "The law of his God is in his heart; none of his steps shall slide." (Psalm 37:31.) "The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord; and he delighteth in his way." (Psalm 37:23.) Do we talk like the Word of God says to talk? "If any man among you seems to be religious and bridled not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain," (Jas. 1:26.) "Let my mouth be filled with thy praise and with thy honor all the day," (Psalm 71:8.)

"Keep thy tongue from evil and thy lips from speaking guile," Psalm 34:13.) "I said I will take heed to my ways, that I sin not with my tongue; I will keep my mouth with a bridle while the wicked is before me," (Psalm 39:1.) "For in many things we offend all. If any man offend not in word the same is a perfect man and able also to bridle the whole body," (Jas. 3:2.) Do we use our eyes like the word of God says to use them? "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help," (Psalm 121:1.) "Mine eyes are ever toward the Lord; for he shall pluck my feet out of the net," (Psalm 25:15.) Do we use our ears like the Word of God says to use them? "But I as a deaf man heard not; and I was as a dumb man that openeth not his his mouth," (Psalm 38:13.) "He that hath an ear, let him

workers did good work the past year.

There were some, however, that did not give up manual labor, but I hope this year that all the ministers will lay down their picks and shovels and roll up their sleeves and go to work with all their might for the Lord and lost souls. If all will do this I believe the Lord will give us a thousand souls this year.

I want the saints to pray that the Lord will give us a tent for this year. I have more calls now than I can fill in four or five months. These are new places where this gospel has never been preached.

I kindly ask all the churches in Tennessee that have no pastors to write me. I also want all the Bishops and Evangelists that have no work to correspond with me. Address me through the

hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches, (Rev. 2:29.) Do we use our hands like the Word of God says to use them? "Lift up your hands in the sanctuary and bless the Lord," (Psalm 134:2.) "Thus will I bless thee while I live; I will lift up my hands in thy Name, (Psalm 63:4.) "Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall stand in his holy place? He that hath clean hands and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity nor sworn deceitfully," (Psalm 24:3, 4.)

Do we dress like the Word of God says to dress? "In like manner also that women adorn themselves in modest apparel with shamedfacedness and sobriety not with broidered hair or gold or pearls or costly array; but which becometh women professing godliness with good works," (Timothy 2:9:10.) "Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair and wearing gold or putting on of apparel, but let it be the hidden man, of the heart, in that which is not corruptible even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit which is in the sight of God of great price," (1 Peter 3:3, 4.)

God bless the dear Evangel. God bless Brother Tomlinson. God bless the dear old Church of God. God bless everybody. Glory to God in the highest, peace and good will to men. May the Holy Ghost and fire rest upon the Assembly from beginning to end. Pray for me.

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Your humble servant,
Geo. T. Brouayer.

NOTICE.

A big Tent Meeting will begin at Bradentown, Fla., Dec. 1st. We wish all who can to attend this meeting. We truly expect a great time. Come and enjoy the feast.

Brother Perry Kimlin will be there with his big tent. Brother Simpson and wife from Virginia, Brother Efford Haynes and wife and myself, and we truly expect to have Jesus of Nazareth and Bethlehem Judea, the great world wide missionary with us Come and hear such words as man never spake.

Yours for souls,
M. S. Lemons.

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Blainsville, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

Greetings in Jesus' Name.

I am so glad for this wonderful salvation. The Lord has saved, sanctified and baptized me with the Holy Ghost. This is a wonderful way Jesus purchased so long ago. I thank God for the deep settled peace in my soul and for the sweet life that a person can have when we once get in the place God can get hold of us to keep us. I had a cancer on my nose but the Lord has healed me.

I am trusting Him for soul and body. By God's help I mean to go through with Him.

I would have enjoyed being at the Assembly, meeting the dear saints.

Dear saints pray for us here. We have had some pretty hard battles, but praise God, we must overcome. The time will soon be over when Jesus will come and catch away His faithful children to meet Him in the skies.

Your sister in Christ,
Mrs. W. L. Atkins.

Crystal River, Fla.

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You Don't Believe in Sanctification?

Sam C. Perry

There is no word in all the Bible that stands out more prominently than the words holiness, sanctification, pure and clean, and let it be remembered that these words are nearly always used in connection with the human heart, and the life that is to be lived here in this world, before leaving the present surroundings to go and dwell with God. If you do not believe it read Psalms 24: 3, 4. "Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? Or who shall stand in His holy place? He that hath clean hands and a pure heart." If any who have not "clean hands and a pure heart" are going to stand in God's presence and dwell in His Kingdom forever, why should such an answer as this be given? This is God's Word, did He not say what He meant?

In Isaiah 35 God shows the one path to glory and says it is "the way of holiness," and that no one who is unclean shall pass that way. Then is there a way that the unclean may reach the realms of eternal light? We reply "No," there is only one way, and those who would travel it must be washed from the sin and pollution of the world.

Read Ezekiel 36: 25, 27. God says He will cleanse His people of their filthiness and idols, take away the stony heart and give them a new spirit, and put His Spirit within them causing them to walk in His statutes. If men can please God without getting a new, clean heart surely the Bible does not so teach. Again read

Zechariah 13:1. About the fountain opened "for sin and uncleanness." If we do not need this fountain for cleansing, why should God have opened it at such a great cost? It cost the life of His Son Jesus Christ.

God promised to Abraham that we should live in holiness and righteousness before Him all the days of our life. Read Luke 1:73 75. Jesus said the pure in heart "shall see God." Saint Paul declared that without holiness "no man shall see the Lord." Saint John says that those who compose the first resurrection company are holy people. Rev. 20:6.

With all of these passages and many others before us, it seems strange to us that any honest follower of the Lord would be trying to cut out the experience of heart purity. It really looks reasonable that it should be emphasized and held up more, that honest souls might be delivered from the spirit of the world. We will never get the full power of the gospel while we are so lax on holiness and pure living that pride, love of money, selfishness, jealousy and other evils of like nature are allowed to live right among us who profess so much.

We need some real stirring up on the line of extravagance in dress, the use and sale of tobacco, useless ornaments, such as finger rings, ear rings, gold watch chains, gold watches, gold pins and lockets, and bracelets, feathers on the ladies' hats, and spending money for chewing gum, coco-cola, etc.,

which, if we do not admit are wrong we are compelled to say do not become the Saints of God.

If we could get up to the John Wesley type of holiness and sanctification, to say nothing of Bible Pentecost, we would certainly have a scatteration of all the above mentioned articles.

Many are set to wondering when they see the Spirit filled ones march out all fixed up in the latest styles with pride and worldliness on every side. No doubt the Lord would have His servants neat and presentable, but anything in our conduct or attire that is so far to the extreme that it calls forth the criticism of good Christians, or even becomes a stumbling stone to some, should not be thought of as proper and allowable.

Some are at a loss to know how it is that men and women who have been baptized with the Holy Ghost do not live holy lives, pride, evil tempers, love of the world, etc., manifested. While we are in the rays of the Sun we have day, but when the Sun sets night comes on. So while under the blood we are pure, but we have purity nowhere else. Many have been baptized with the Holy Ghost who do not continue to abide under the cleansing blood. "If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin." 1 John 1:7. While under the blood we keep the victory.

Etowah, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I thank God for victory in my soul and the way He has led me. I want to praise Him because His power is just the same today as it was in the days of old.

I find in Revelation 22:14, "Blessed are they that do his commandments that they may have a right to the tree of life and may enter in through the gates into the city." Then if we have power to enter into the city of the Lord we must do His commandments and I find by reading God's Word that paying tithes is one of the commandments that most people leave off. I find the best time to pay a debt is when we have the money. References are made to tithing in the New Testament as

well as in the Old. If we are to have a right to enter through the gates into the city we will certainly have to keep the commandments.

J. S. Walker.

Beltona, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am praising God this morning for the deep settled peace there is in my soul. I just can't praise Him enough. I am praising Him because I know I have the corn, wine and oil just like the Lord said He would give it to us in Joel 2:19, and am satisfied therewith. Glory to God, I am so glad I ever turned my back on the world. I have been in this way only a short while and I am delighted with it I have a great determination to go through with Jesus. I would like to say

something that would cause the unsaved to accept Christ and those that have accepted Him to live true and walk in all the light they have because God is light and in Him is no darkness. "If any man be in Christ he is a new creature, old things have passed away and all things have become new." I am praising Him because a few days after I got this blessing the Lord wonderfully saved my husband, a few days later sanctified and filled him with the Holy Ghost.

Praise God how I do thank Him for the way He blesses us both.

Pray that we may stay humble at Jesus' precious feet; live a pure life, and stay in the center of God's will.

Your sister in Christ,
Maud Ash.

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CHRISTIAN PERFECTION

By E. B. Culpepper.

This subject has caused much controversy and even now, you can hear of people who say that we can't get to a state of perfection in this life.

The following Scriptures show us that God wants and really expects His people to reach a state of perfection, and even the critics and "sinning preachers" will have to acknowledge that this precious Book is the very best and, in fact, the only authority.

First, let us consider Heb. 6:1,2,3. "Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God.

Of the doctrine of baptisms and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment. And this will we do if God permit."

This ought to bring us away from this "bedside repentance" each night. Repent one time from the depth of the heart and don't have it to do any more but travel on up the road for the goal just ahead. Can't we say as our brother Paul "we will do this."

Read the instructions to Abram in Gen. 17:1. "And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect."

There is no record that he ever did anything else but live a perfect life, and listen, you stingy church members, Abram payed tithes (Gen. 14:20) and that helped to make him perfect. Listen at the King of kings and Lord of Lords in Matt. 5:48, "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect." David says in Psalms 18:30, "As for God, his way is perfect: the word of the Lord is tried; he is a buckler to all those that trust in him."

How can we get to this state of perfection? 2 Cor. 7:1, "Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God."

Read 2 Cor. 6:17, 18, "Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.

And will be a Father unto

you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty."

Who could not afford to quit talking about their neighbors, chewing, dipping and puffing for such a promise as this and yet there are many who will continue in these things of the world and in the end lose their precious souls in hell because they will not believe and obey God's precious Word.

What did God send His preachers to do? Eph. 4, 11, 12, 13. "And he gave some apostles; and some, prophets; and some evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; (for what purpose?) For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ. (Church of God.)

Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ."

We see that if a person begins to fight holiness or Christian perfection, that God must not have sent him. I say this with a heart full of love. This cannot be criticised from a Bible standpoint. Read Eph. 5:25, 26, 27. This does not apply to individuals, alone, but to the whole church. "Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the Church, and gave himself for it; (not for them.)

That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,

That he might present it to himself a glorious Church, not having spot or wrinkle, or any such thing, but that it should be holy and without blemish."

Come on brothers and sisters lets keep digging and get the Church of God, from which is to be taken the bride of Christ, robed and ready for her husband.

Let us get every spirit of envy, prejudice and selfwill out of the way and be melted together with the white heated love of Christ and there will occur one of the greatest matrimonial scenes and the greatest marriage supper that has ever been known.

We hear of folks speaking of this new religion. Let us see how new it is in Eph. 1:4, "According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we

should be holy and without blame before him in love."

So there is nothing so new about this holiness movement after all, you are only finding it out.

When we reach this state of perfection of which we are writing we have reached Luke 6:40, "The disciple is not above his master; but every one that is perfect shall be as his master."

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God. You say 'this is all under the law.' Jacob tithed 400 years before the law, Also about 500 years before the law Abraham paid tithes to Melchisedec. See Heb. 7:1. The writer said, let us consider how great this man was, unto whom even the patriarch Abraham gave the tenth of the spoils." He was priest of the most high God. He was the King of righteousness, King of peace. A type of Jesus. And Abraham the "Father of the Faithful." So if we are "the faithful" we will follow up our father's example and pay tithes to Jesus the antitype. Well you say, "I wouldn't mind to pay to Jesus if I only could see Him," listen, "He says, "The Church is my body." "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse."

Here is some more in the New Testament. Jesus said "Ye pay tithe of mint, anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith; these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone." Matt. 23:23.

Many are ready to wash feet and rejoice over it, because the Lord has said, "ye ought to wash one another's feet," but this other that He has said "ye ought to do," they cant rejoice over.

When Israel wanted a king and to be like other nations, Samuel told them that a king would misapply the tithes; which they did, 1 Sam. 8:14. They failed to place the tithes at the place God had chosen.

But there arose a good king one day, king Hezekiah, and he set about to get the tithing and offering set right. He commanded the people to bring all the tithes to the place God had set His name in the temple, so they obeyed and began their heap in the third month and finished in the seventh. When Hezekiah came he was surprised at the amount brought in, and the people said, "Since the people began to bring the offerings unto the house of

the Lord, we have had enough to eat, and left plenty; for the Lord hath blessed His people." 2 Chro. 31:10. Solomon said, "Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase, so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall bust out with new wine." Prov. 3:9.

One may say, "I want the Lord to bless me, and I believe I should take my tithe to the place He has set His name, but how can I bring my hay and corn so far?"

Moses has given some instructions on this line.

He says, "If the way be too far, and you are not able to carry it to the place He has chosen, sell it and bind it up in thy hand and take to the place chosen." Deut. 14:24.

At Neh. 13:10. We see the importance of keeping plenty of tithes in the storehouse (The Church of God). When Nehemiah was trying to restore the temple worship, after their return from Babylon, he could find only 38 Levites for service, He said, "He perceived that the portions of the Levites had not been given them, * * * for they had gone every one to his field." What did he do? "He contended with the rulers," he was contending for the tithing system again. As Jude said, "Contending earnestly for the faith once delivered to the saints." Let us also contend. So Nehemiah gathered the rulers and set them in their place V. 11. That's what this work now needs, every man in his place. So Nehemiah made treasuries, and appointed treasurers over the treasuries; their office was to distribute to their brethren, V. 13. Now let us notice a little concerning the distribution. Israel was to tithe to the Lord, to be distributed to the Levites were to tithe to the Lord, to be distributed to the priests, the high priest having charge of that treasury, see Num. 18:11, 24-24. There was also a second priest as a special helper to the high priest. 2 K. 25:18.

Notice, Aaron and his sons received tithes from the Levites, and Aaron and his had the distribution of the tithes. What does all this represent? See Chart again. Merari on the north and Gershon on the west, they hauled the heavy work of the tabernacle and would have it raised when Kohath gets on the ground were it is being set.

Merari and Gershon correspond to the evangelists going forth, preparing the work and hulling it in. Kohath with vessels of gold on their shoulders for the inside work of the tabernacle, represents the pastor that carries on the inside working of the church. What about the priests? The priests came from the Kohathites; the Kohathites represent ordained elders, the pastors are taken from the ordained elders. The High priest represents the general overseer, the second priest represents the assistant general overseer, the other priests represent the state overseers, or sons of the overseer.

The people should tithe to their local church treasury, to be used for pastors and evangelists; their tithe of tithes should go to the general treasury for the use of "chief priest and his sons." (General overseer and state overseers).

In closing I will refer again to this great eagle that is going so rapidly over the world, but notice if I were a marksman and should take aim and break either wing of the eagle she would fall to the ground. The two wings might be represented as spiritual wing and financial wing, and if either wing is in default she can't go, but if both wings are up and in trim the great eagle is ready to go.

Let us do our part to keep both wings in active condition.

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